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STORY SO FAR





DR. STARLINE

Threat Level: 7/10
Disgraced Dr. Eggman protégé.



ZAVOK

Threat Level: 10/10
Plan to take over the world ruined, in part, by Eggman.



MIMIC

Threat Level: 8/10
Failed mercenary on the run.



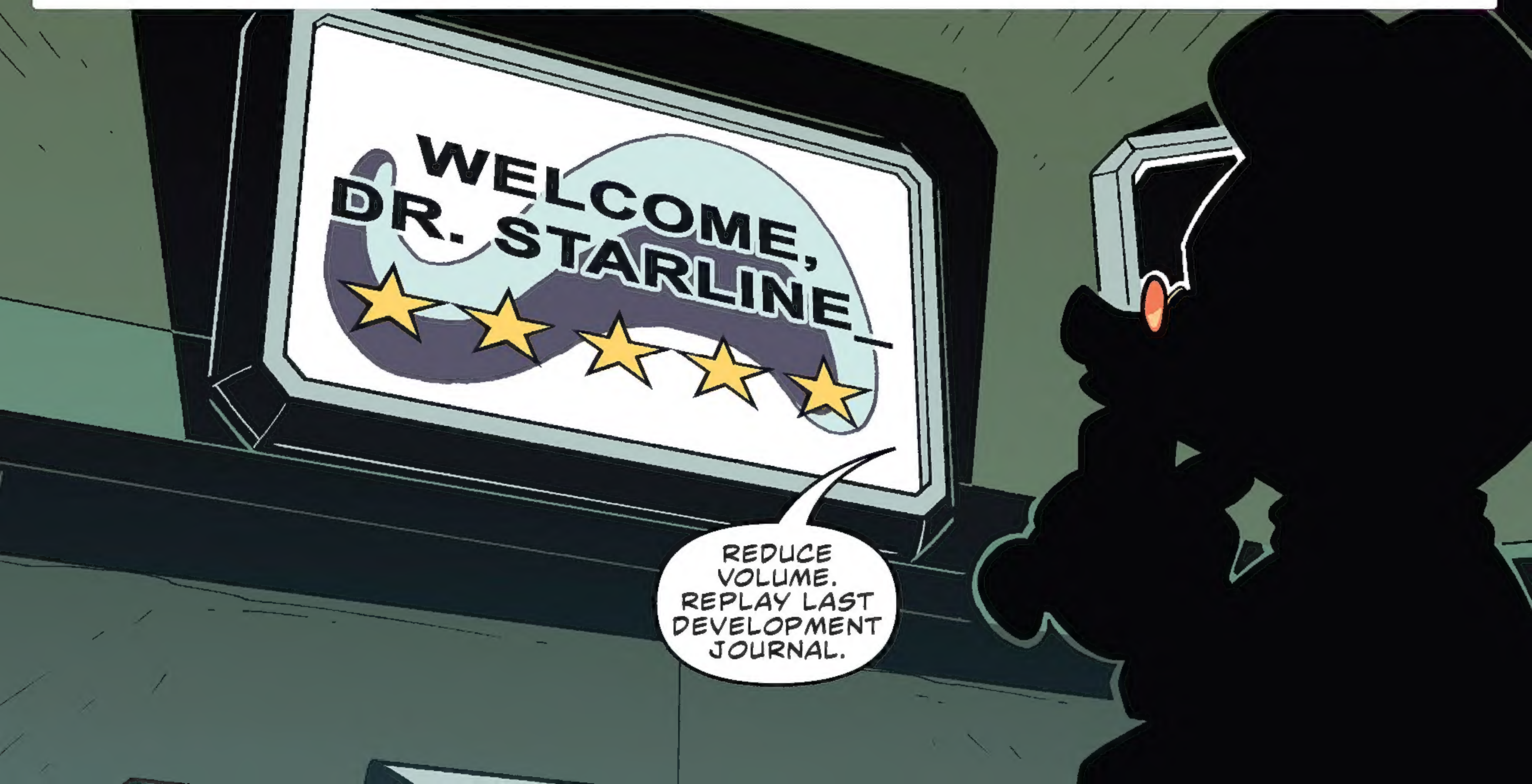
ROUGH

Threat Level: 3/10
Occasional Eggman lackey, just along for the ride.



TUMBLE

Threat Level: 3/10
Occasional Eggman lackey, in it for the weapons.





PROGRESS
LOG UPDATE.
THINGS ARE
MOVING ALONG
SWIMMINGLY.



THE RABBLE
I'VE RALLIED
TO MY CAUSE
HAVE PERFORMED
BEYOND
EXPECTATION.

I NOW HAVE
A SURPLUS OF
POWER CORES
TO AID IN FINALIZING
MY LONG-TERM
PLANS.



IT'S ALSO
ENABLED ME
TO FABRICATE
MY NEWEST
CREATION, THE
TRICORE.

THIS
BRILLIANT
BAUBLE WILL
ALLOW ME TO HOLD
MY OWN AGAINST
SONIC, TAILS,
OR KNUCKLES,
SHOULD THE
NEED ARISE.



AND UNLIKE
THE SINGLE-
USE CORE GEAR
I'VE CRAFTED FOR
MY "TEAMMATES,"
THE TRICORE CAN
BE USED IN RAPID
SUCCESSION
HUNDREDS OF
TIMES.



PHASE TWO OF THE PLAN HAPPENS TOMORROW. WE'LL BE INVADING AN EGGNET HUB.

THERE I WILL ERASE EGG BASE SIGMA FROM DR. EGGMAN'S DATABASES AND CHANGE ALL SECURITY TO OBEY ME.

ONCE THE BASE IS SAFELY LOST TO THE DOCTOR AND UNDER MY CONTROL, I CAN FINALLY MOVE ON TO MY TRUE GOAL.



THE PARAMETERS OF THAT MAY... SHIFT.

ZAVOK, FOR ALL HIS FAULTS, SAID SOME THINGS THAT STUCK WITH ME...



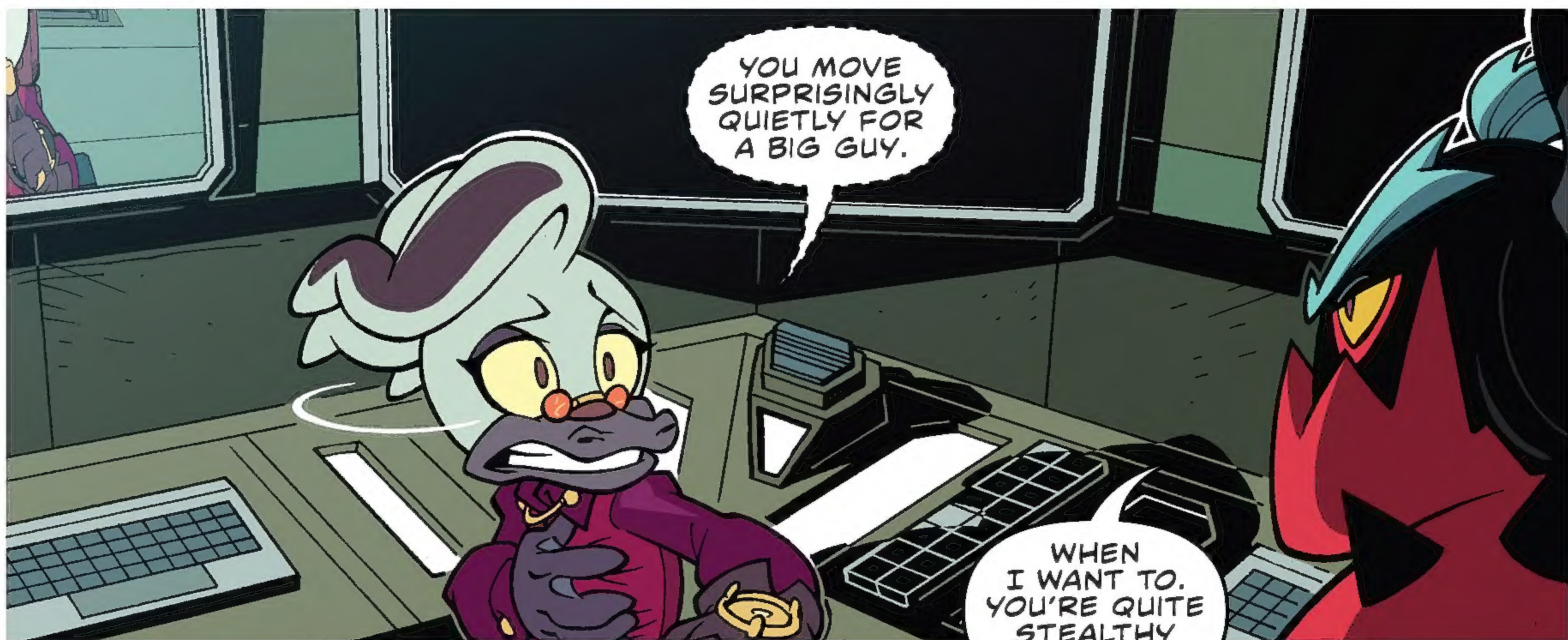
...BUT *HE* WILL NOT. NONE OF THE RUBES WILL. ONCE THE NEW HEADQUARTERS IS SECURED, MY NEW ROBOT FORCES WILL ELIMINATE THEM ALL.

NO WITNESSES. NO LOOSE ENDS.

I FEEL A TAD WASTEFUL, BUT THE ALTERNATIVE IS TOO RISKY. THEY'RE FAR TOO DANGEROUS TO LET ROAM FREE.



INDEED.





SAYS HERE
IT'S TO MAKE
SURE THERE'RE NO
MISFIRES. HE WANTS
US TO BE AT OUR
BEST UNTIL HE
DISPOSES OF
US.



JOKE'S ON
YOU, DOC. YOU'RE
THE ONE THAT
ISN'T WAKING UP
TOMORROW.



NO.
OUTSIDE.
NOW.



I'M NOT
WAITING FOR
HIM TO PULL THE
TRIGGER! I'M
ENDING THIS
TONIGHT!

WE STILL
NEED HIM TO
ACCESS THE
EGGNET.

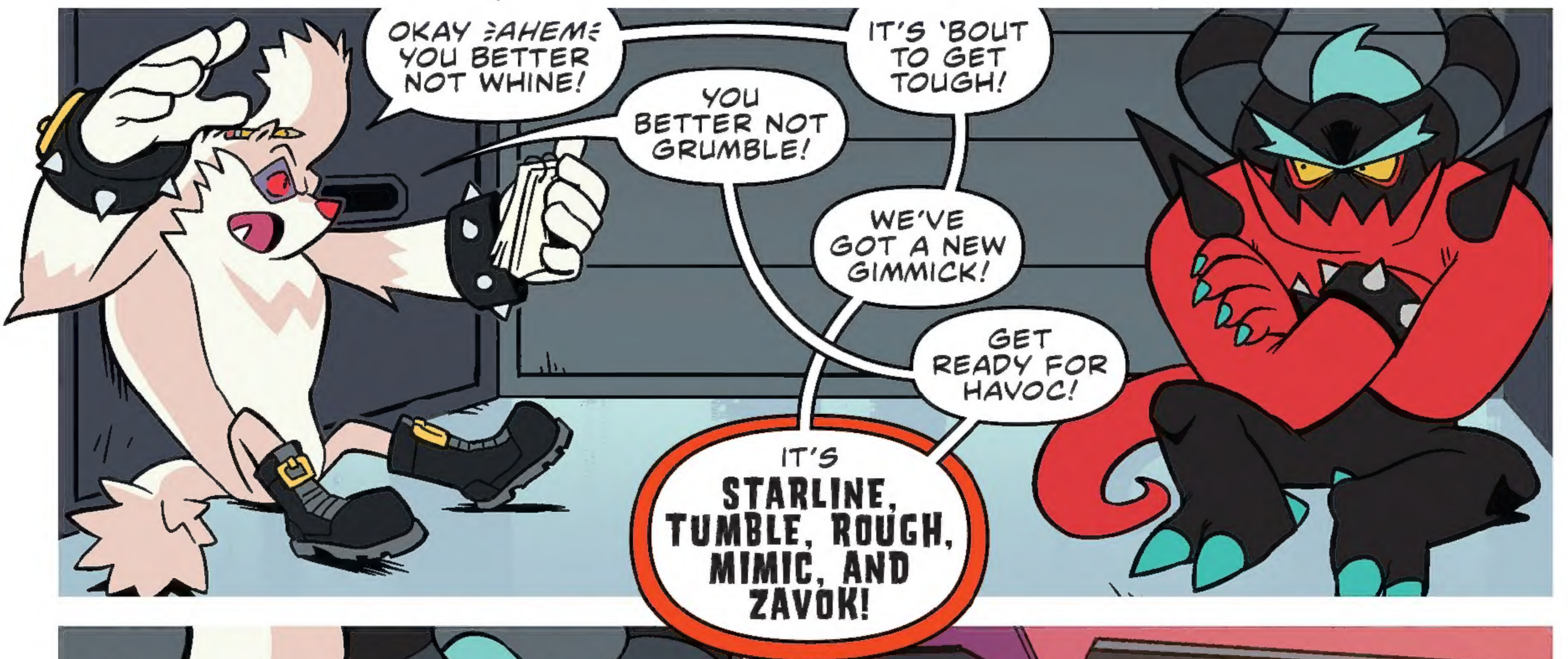
HE WON'T
MAKE HIS
MOVE UNTIL HE
FEELS HE'S
GOTTEN ALL
HE WANTS.



TOMORROW, HE WILL OPEN
THE WAY TO WHAT *WE* WANT.
THEN I WILL REWARD YOUR
PATIENCE BY LETTING
YOU FINISH HIM.

FINE.
BUT IF IT
LOOKS LIKE HE'S
MOVING UP HIS
TIMETABLE, I'M
NOT WAITING
ANY LONGER.

FAIR
ENOUGH.
NOW GET
SOME
REST.





SOON.
THE EGGNET
HUB.



AS PROMISED--YOUR
PERSONALIZED
CORE GEAR.

OH. I WAS
EXPECTIN'
SOMETHING
MORE...
TAIL-LIKE.

WEAR IT
WITH PRIDE
ALL THE SAME.
NEXT TIME, I'LL
UPGRADE IT INTO
A TAIL FOR YOU.

HOW
DO THEY
WORK?

THEY READ YOUR
BIO-SIGNATURES AND
REACT SEAMLESSLY TO
YOUR ACTIONS. ACT AS
YOU NORMALLY WOULD,
AND THE POWER CORE
ENERGY WILL BE
DISTRIBUTED
INSTANTLY.



INDULGE IN YOUR POWER
FANTASIES, GENTLEMEN.
YOU CAN ACHIEVE
ANYTHING TODAY!

HEY! HOW
COME YOU
AIN'T GOT
ONE?



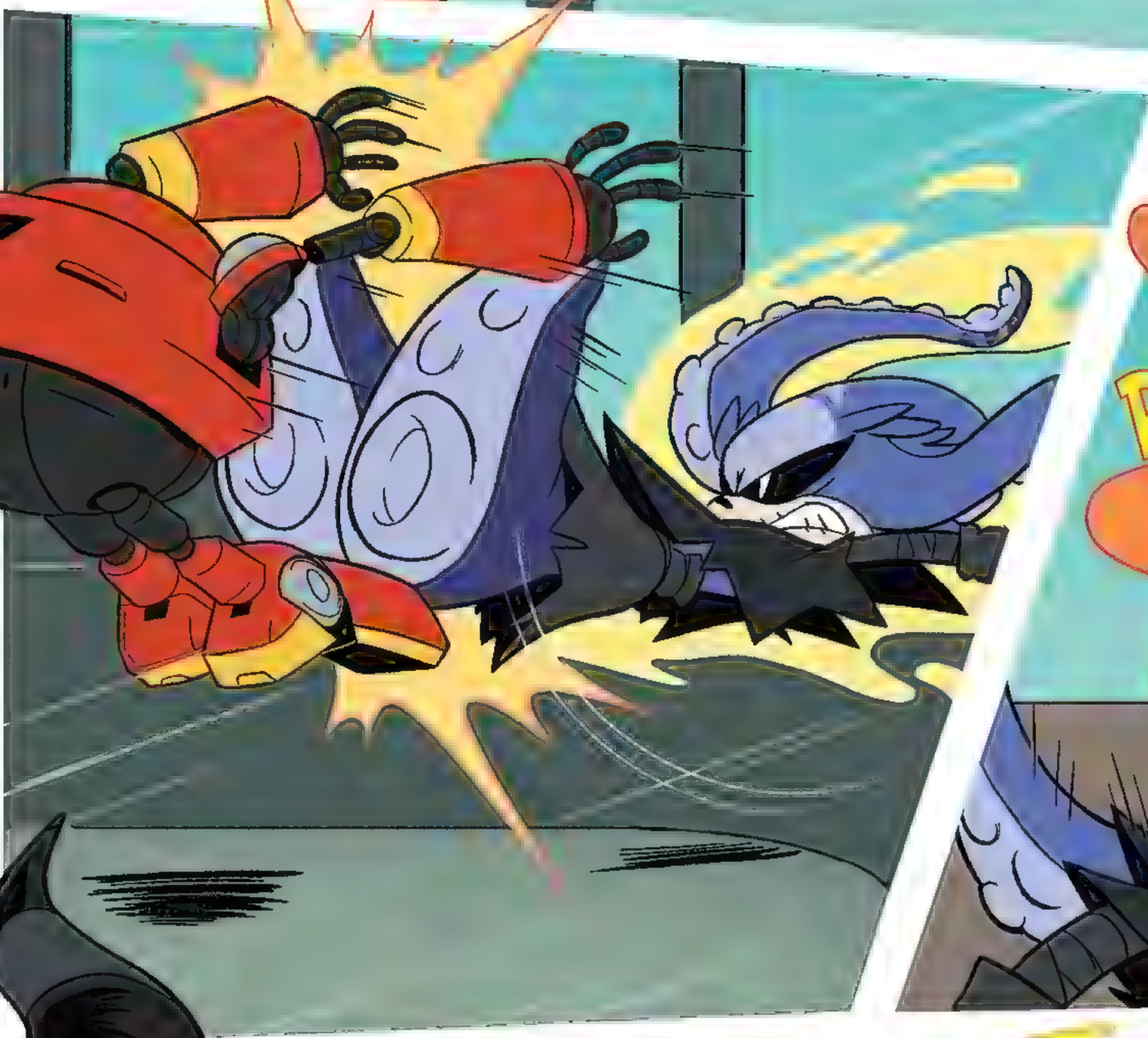
I HAVE NO SKILLS TO
ENHANCE. IT WOULD
JUST BE A WASTE OF
RESOURCES.

PFFFT!
HAHA!
YOUR WORDS,
NOT MINE!

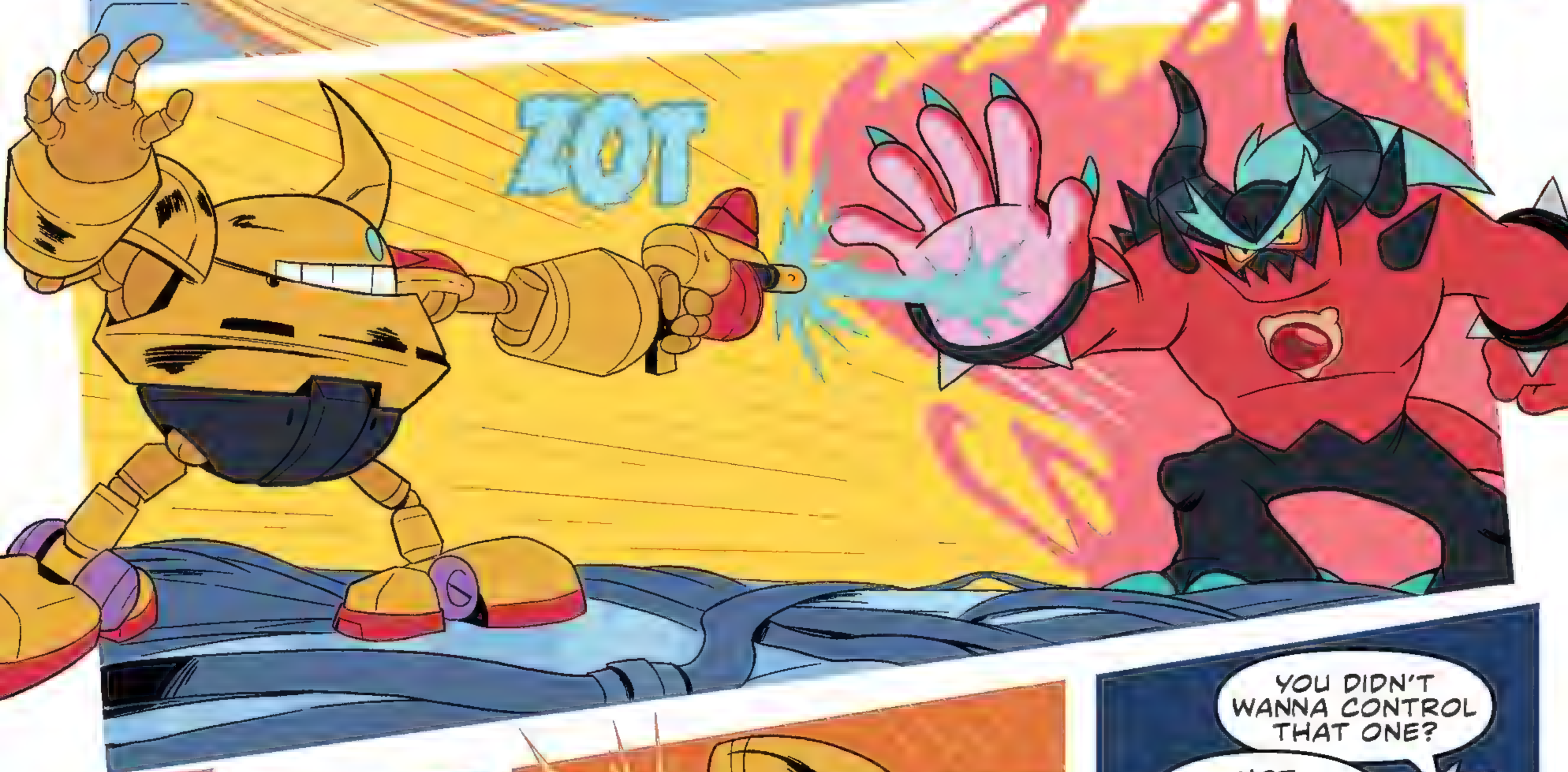














HERE! THE
CENTRAL
COMPUTER!



YOU
KNOW THE
LOGIN?

NO, BUT
I'VE DEVELOPED
A COMMAND
ALGORITHM TO
BYPASS THE
SECURITY.

JUST HAD
THAT LYING
AROUND,
EH?



NO, I'VE BEEN DEVELOPING
THIS FOR... ANOTHER PROJECT.
IT'S NOT IMPORTANT
RIGHT NOW.



WELL, WORK
FAST. AFTER OUR
RAID, I'M SURE
EGGMAN'S ON
HIGH ALERT.

OH, HE WAS
ALERTED THE
MINUTE YOU AND
ZAVOK TOOK OUT
THE GUARD
POSTS. HE'S
MOBILIZING
NOW.



WHAT?

CALM YOURSELF. WE
CONTROL HIS INFORMATION
FEED NOW, REMEMBER? I'M
TELLING HIM IT'S SONIC AND
GIVING THE COORDINATES
FOR A COMPLETELY
DIFFERENT FACILITY.

EGGMAN'S HQ.

OH-HO-HO-HO!
SOMEBODY IS
ABOUT TO LEARN
A LESSON IN
HUMILITY.

BECAUSE
THEY'RE ABOUT
TO SUFFER A
HUMILIATING
DEFEAT!

SCRAMBLE
THE AERIAL
FORCES! WE'RE
GOING TO RAIN
PUNISHMENT ON
WHOEVER IS
CAUSING A
RUCKUS!

HOLD
ON, BOSS!
WE JUST
GOT AN
UPDATE!

I HAVE THE
COORDINATES.
CARPET-BOMBING
WILL HANDLE
THE REST!

AS... THOROUGH...
AS THAT PLAN IS,
THE UPDATE SAYS IT'S
NOT AN ALERT FROM
THE EGGMET HUB.

INTEL NOW SAYS
SONIC IS RANSACK-
ING A DEPOT
TWENTY MILES TO
THE NORTH.

GIVE ME
THAT!



SOMETHING'S
NOT RIGHT HERE.
THAT'S TOO MUCH
OF A MISTAKE TO
BE A SIMPLE
GLITCH...



PERHAPS TAILS
SENT A DUMMY
TRANSMISSION
AND OUR NETWORK
CORRECTED THE
MISTAKE?

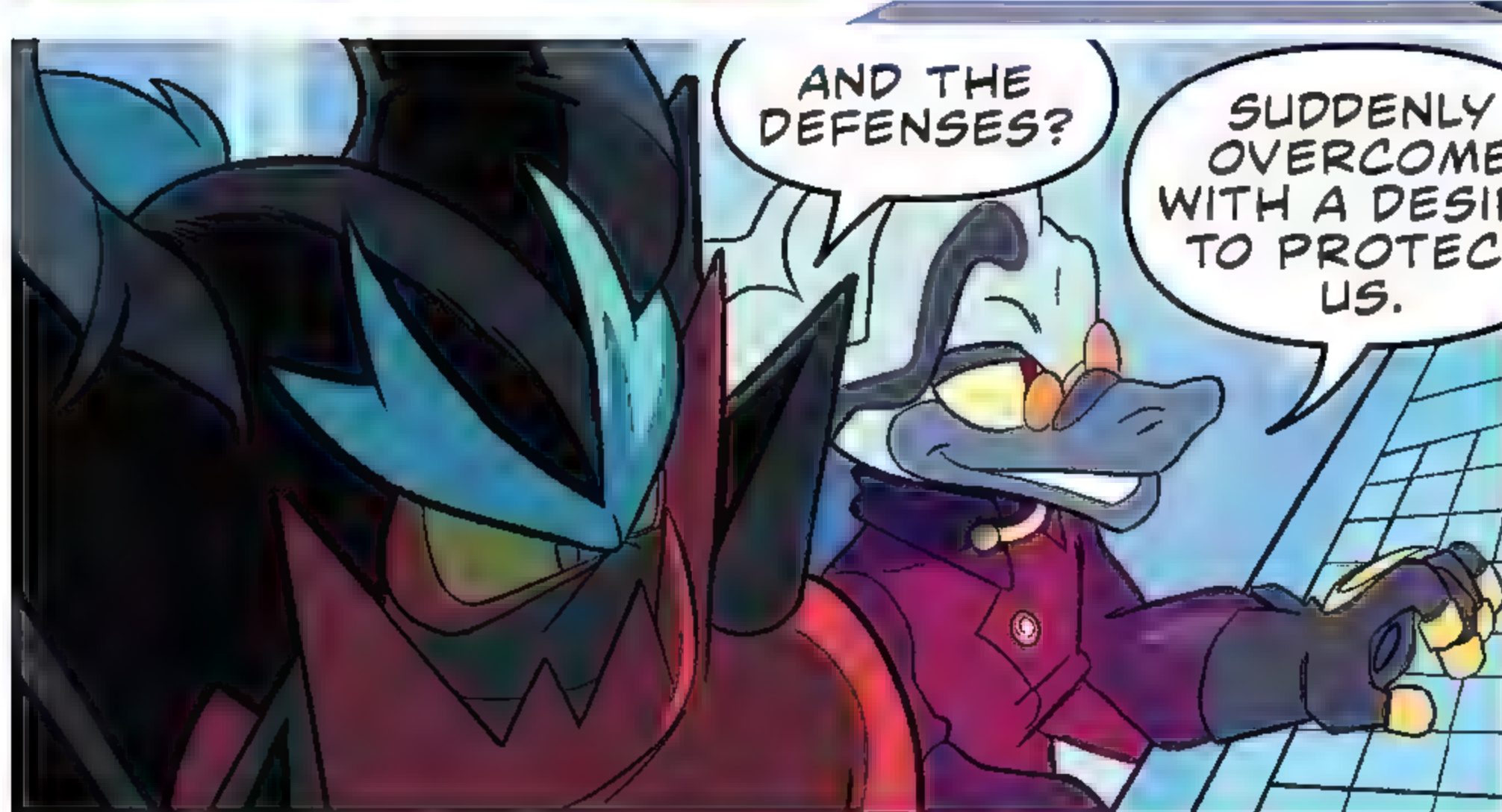
OR THE
OTHER WAY
AROUND AND
HE'S TRYING
TO THROW ME
OFF THE
TRAIL...



NO MATTER!
I'LL CHECK OUT
BOTH, RAIN FIRE,
AND SIFT THROUGH
THE ASHES
LATER.



I'VE GOT
YOU THIS
TIME, SONIC!
OH-HO-HO-
HO!









YOU'RE A
FREE MAN,
MIMIC.

AT
LAST.



AND YOU JUST CONQUERED
A CHUNK OF THE EGGMAN
EMPIRE IN FIVE
MINUTES.

INDEED.



YOU HAVE THE CORE
GEARS, AND A SURPLUS
OF CORES BACK AT
THE LAB.

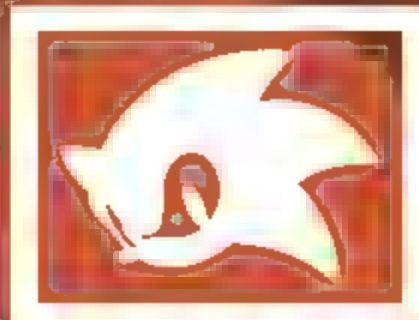
I
GUESS
SO.

WE CAN DO A
LOT OF DAMAGE
WITH THOSE.



WHICH
MEANS YOU'VE
OUTLIVED YOUR
USEFULNESS,
DOCTOR.

**NEXT TIME:
THE FATE
OF DOCTOR
STARLINE!**



NEXT MONTH

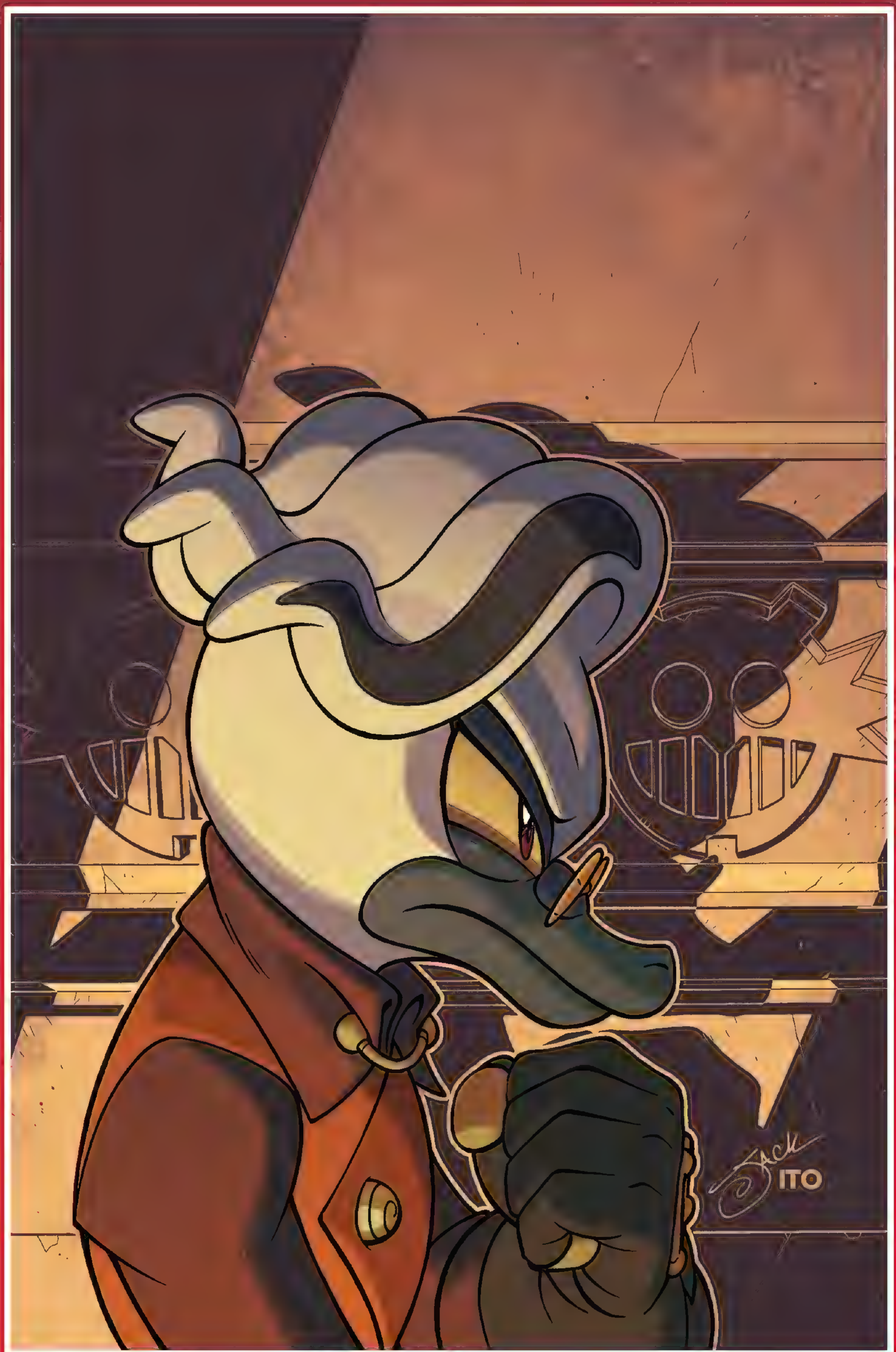




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Starline's allies always turn on him! First the Deadly Six, then Eggman, now the Bad Guys. No wonder Eggman sticks to robots! Thanks for joining Ian Flynn, Jack Lawrence, Aaron Hammerstrom, Bracardi Curry, Leonardo Ito, and Shawn Lee for the third installment of Sonic the Hedgehog: Bad Guys! Let's take a look at your letters!

Hi, I've been a fan of Sonic for pretty much the entire 29 year run of the franchise, since I was a lad of 6 years old. For the past 10 years I've been making custom action figures of Sonic characters, mostly the ones from spin off media that aren't likely to ever get official toys. When I found out Dr. Starline was getting to star in his own "Bad Guys" spin-off special I had to celebrate by making a figure of him. I put a lot of love into this one (it used to be Jet the Hawk) and I even 3D printed his shoes and Warp Topaz glove based off a model my friend Korey made.

I'm actually making quite the little IDW toyline here, as I've also made figures of Mimic, Tangle, and Whisper. I'm certain I'll be making more of your great characters into toys in the future, keep up the good work!

Angel

Oh My GOSH Your action figures are AMAZING! I'm really impressed with the accuracy and detail on such small figures! It's always so cool to see fans bring original IDW characters to life using their different skills. After being a fan for so long, it means a lot that you would dedicate so much time to new characters. Thanks for being a fan and for sending in your work!

PS Have you read Sonic #34 yet!? There may be a new character for you to action figure-ize!



ART BY
LUTHER



Hi there,

I just wanted to show my Amy Rose cosplay that I handmade from scratch. I've been a Sonic fan a while and wanted to show that he's "not just for kids" haha!

I love the new character Whisper so a future cosplay for me.

Look forward to finding out the ending of the current series.

Rosa

Hi, Rosa!

Your cosplay is TOO CUTE! I do wonder if you resisted the urge to bop people on the head with the Piko Piko hammer... But I can't wait to see your Whisper cosplay. Maybe once the pandemic is over, you'll be able to stop by an IDW booth at a convention and show it off!

And absolutely, Sonic isn't just for kids! The IDW comic series has a mix of child and adult fans. Many adults grew up with Sonic and enjoy the nostalgia, while others are drawn to the characters later in life. The great thing about Sonic is that it can be silly and fun while also addressing real issues. Inadvertently, the recent Metal Virus saga addressed the importance of social distancing! Avoiding zombots was as important to Sonic and friends as wearing masks is to us!



Thanks for joining us, Squad. Don't forget to send your Bad Guys art and letters to letters@idwpublishing.com, and make sure to mark them "OKAY TO PRINT!" And join the IDW Sonic Comics Squad on Facebook! Next month, the Bad Guys get their revenge!

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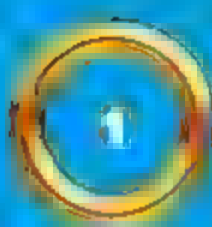
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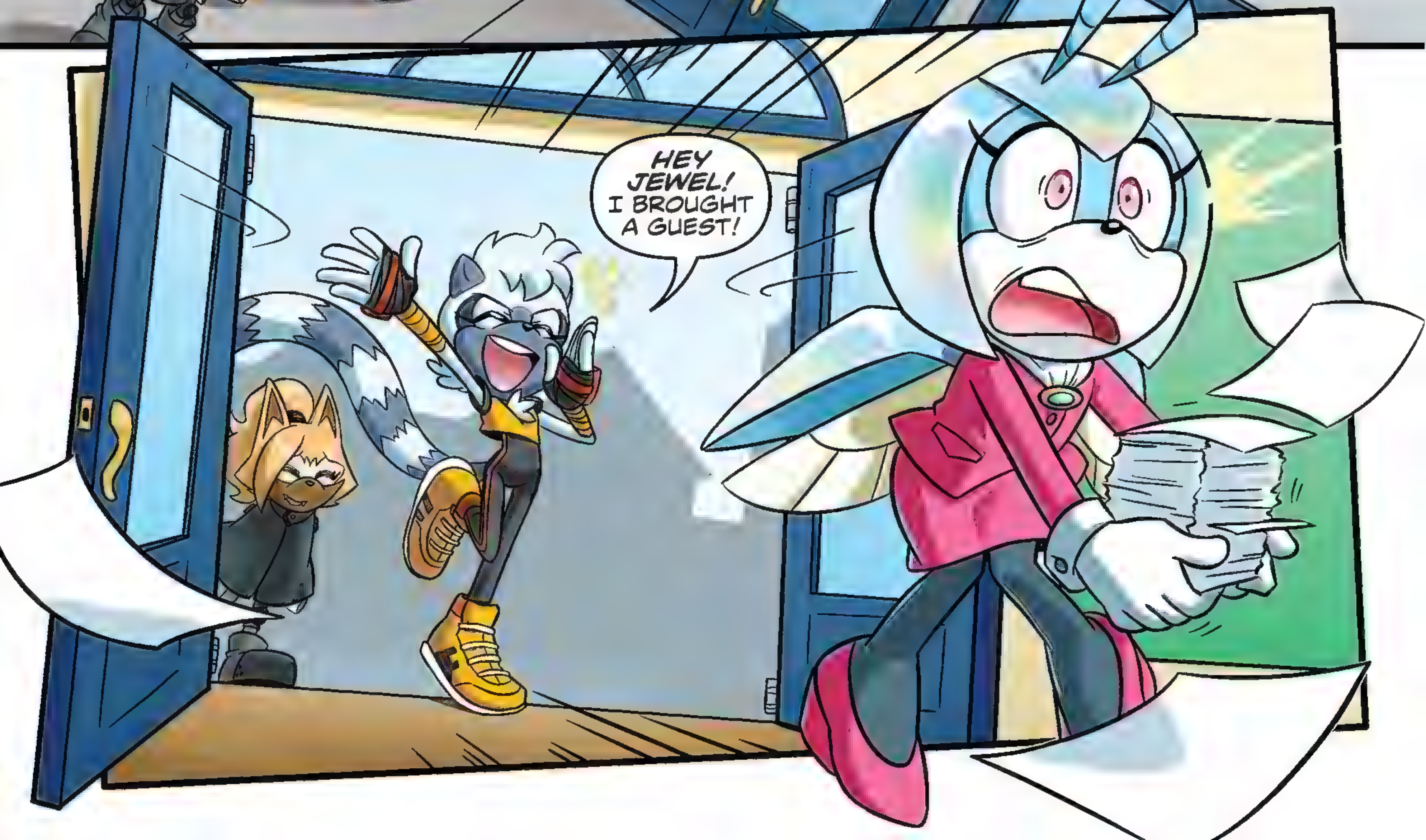
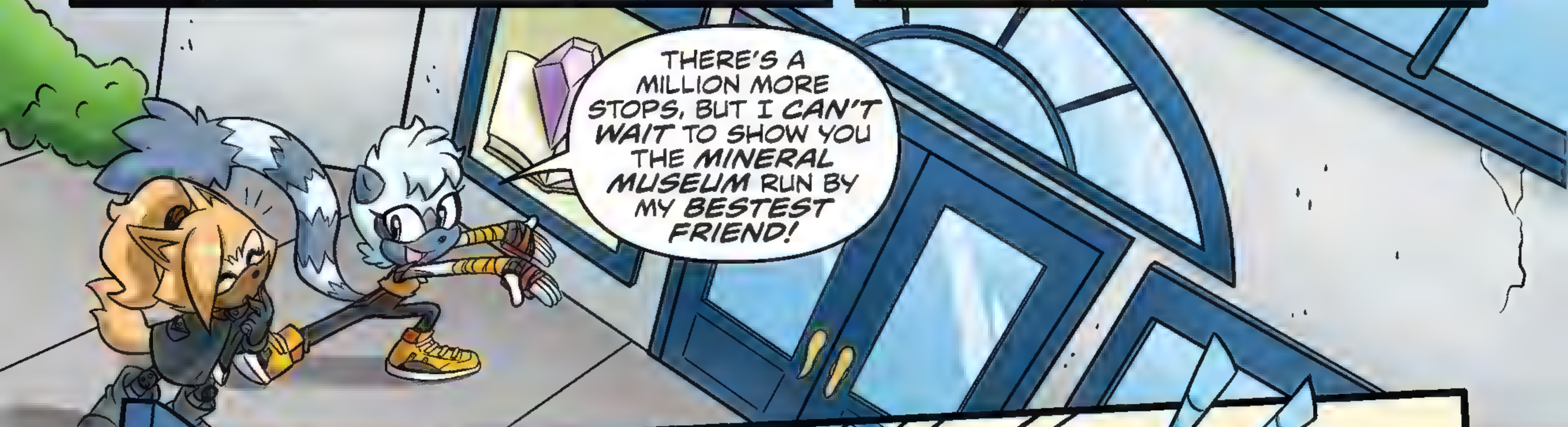
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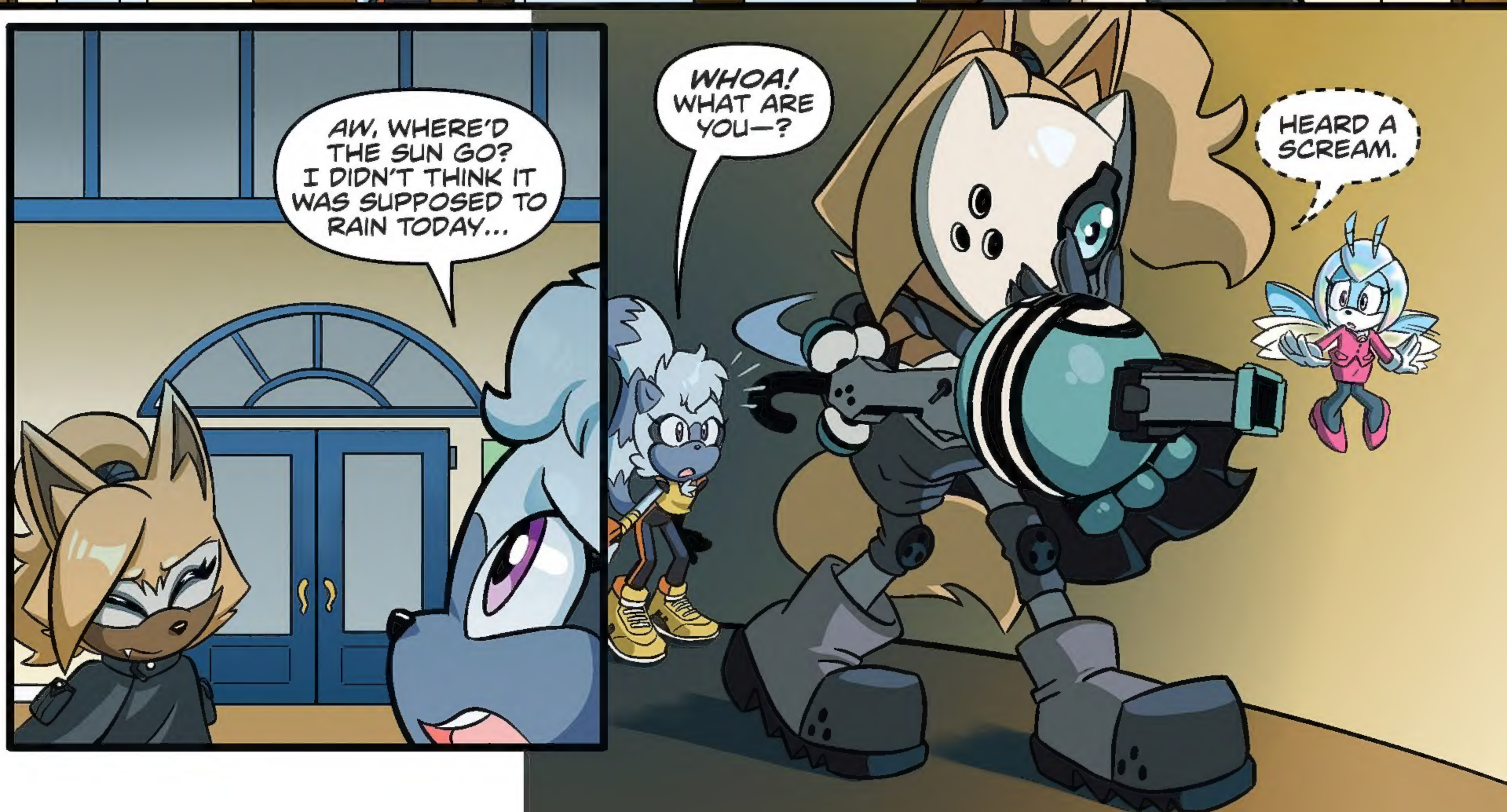
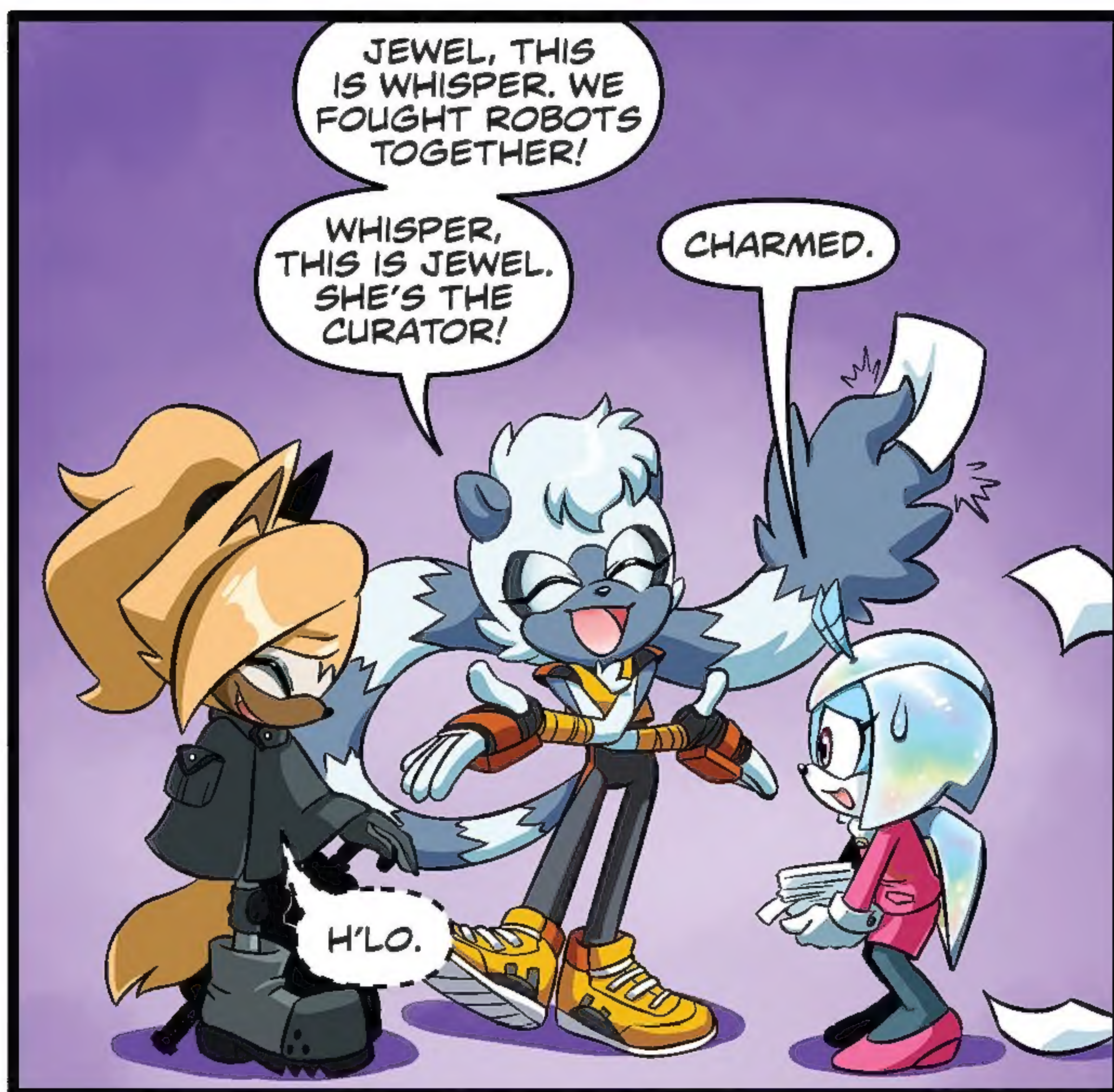
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